

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY PARIS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3548

INFO AMEMBASSY LONDON

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AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE

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AMEMBASSY HELSINKI

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E.O. 11652 N/A

TAGS: ETRN, ETRD, FR

SUBJECT: SHIPPING: ACCEPTANCE OF VISBY AMENDMENTS TO BRUSSELS  
CONVENTION (HAGUE RULES ON BILLS OF LADING)

REF: STATE 190603

GOVERNMENT OF FRANCE WAS AUTHORIZED BY PARLIAMENT IN JULY  
1972 TO RATIFY BRUSSELS PROTOCOL OF 1968 (VISBY AMENDMENTS).  
HOWEVER, GOF HAS ENTERED INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH SWEDEN, NORWAY,  
DENMARK, FINLND, UNITED KINGDOM, NETHERLANDS, BELGIUM AND WEST  
GERMANY TO SIMULTANEOUSLY RATIFY AND GOF MARITIME OFFICIALS  
ESTIMATE SUCH JOINT RATIFICATION WILL NOT OCCUR BEFORE THE END OF  
1974 OR EARLY 1975. GOF OFFICIALS URGE THE UNITED STATES TO JOIN  
THE RATIFYING GROUP. IRWIN

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